

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 227171 TOSEC 270079

62

ORIGIN NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 R

66011

DRAFTED BY: S/S:PBRIDGES:GK

APPROVED BY: S/S:BRIDGES

----- 109600

O 142003Z SEP 76 ZFF4

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO USDEL SECRETARY IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 227171 TOSEC 270079

NODIS

FOLLOWING REPEAT BELGRADE 6031 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 14 SEP 76.

QTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L BELGRADE 6031

NODIS

FOR SONNENFELDT , EAGLEBURGER AND HARTMAN ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR YO

SUBJ: GOY REACTION TO TWA HIJACKING

1. AT ETHIOPIAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION EVENING OF SEP
13, I SAW CHIEF OF PROTOCOL VILUS AND ASKED WHAT IN GOD'S
NAME COULD EXPLAIN GOY INCREDIBLE REACTION TO TWA HIJACKING.
HE RESPONDED QUICKLY THAT
"WE HAVE MATTERS UNDER CONTROL NOW."

2. I RESPONDED THAT THEY CERTAINLY SEEMED OUT OF CONTROL
THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS AND WONDERED WHO IF ANYONE WAS
MAKING DECISIONS IN THE YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT. ASTONISHINGLY,
HE ADMITTED THAT GOY REACTION WAS "IMPULSIVE" BUT WOULD
CAST NO LIGHT ON WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE EXCEPT TO REITERATE
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 227171 TOSEC 270079

THAT WE (WHOEVER WE IS) HAVE MATTERS UNDER CONTROL.

3. HE THEN WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE WAS PERSONALLY PRO-AMERICAN AND SUGGESTED WE HAVE LUNCH PRIVATELY TO DISCUSS THE MATTER. HE ASKED THAT I KEEP HIS VIEWS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

4. VILUS STRIKES US A TOUGH, EXTREMELY COMPETENT AND RELATIVELY HONEST FELLOW AND I WILL TRY AND TAKE HIM UP ON HIS LUNCHEON INVITATION. I DID TELL HIM THAT IN MY VIEW THE YUGOSLAVS BEHAVIOR OVER THE LAST TWO DAYS WAS SUCH AS TO RAISE QUESTIONS AS TO THEIR EQUILIBRIUM AND ALTHOUGH HE WINCED, HE DID NOT DISAGREE.
SILBERMAN UNQTE: ROBINSON

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ANTIAMERICAN, AIRCRAFT HIJACKING, TOSEC, CAT-B, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, GOVERNMENT REACTIONS, DISSIDENT FACTIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 14 SEP 1976
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: BoyleJA
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE227171
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: S/S:PBRIDGES:GK
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: N760006-0914
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 2
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760961/aaaacacn.tel
Line Count: 74
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN NODS
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: NODIS, ONLY
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS, ONLY
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: BoyleJA
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 20 MAY 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <20 MAY 2004 by greeneet>; APPROVED <14 SEP 2004 by BoyleJA>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: LOCK1
Status: NATIVE
Subject: GOY REACTION TO TWA HIJACKING
TAGS: PFOR, YO, US, TWA
To: SECRETARY
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006